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SUBJECT: (C) GOL WILL SUPPORT GUATEMALA FOR UNSC SEAT

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Classified By: Political/Economic Officer Alexander Titolo for reasons
1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) The Ambassador delivered reftel points on Guatemala's bid for a non-permanent UNSC seat to MFA Undersecretary Albinas Januska on the margins of Januska's February 8 meeting with EUR PDAS Kurt Volker (septel). Januska was receptive to our message that Guatemala, not Venezuela, deserves a seat on the Council and said the GOL would have "no problem" supporting Guatemala. We fully expect the GOL to do just that when the issue comes to a vote.

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